3. It should be clearly understood that the powers mentioned in paragraph 2 (III) above are to be exercised by the officers of the Amrit Mahal Department, only in respect of such items of kavals produce as are now administered by the Amrit Mahal Department. The Forest Department will be competent to dispose of all other items as heretofore. But before any exploitation is undertaken, previous notice specifying the time, place and details of exploitation should be given to the Amrit Mahal Superintendent; and if any objection is received from him, the orders of Government should be obtained before the items objected to, are exploited.

In the case of any difference of opinion between the two Departments, the matter should be referred by the Conservator of Forests, to Government for their orders.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,
*Secretary to Government,*
*Revenue Department.*

## FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

### Charge Allowance to Gazetted Officers.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 1305-54—G. F. 70-18-1, dated 3rd September 1918, delegating to certain Heads of Departments, the power among others, to grant to Gazetted Officers of their Department, privilege leave up to a period of one month provided that no substitute is required.

2. Government Order No. Fl. 1181-230—G. F. 11-22-1, dated 30th August 1922, delegating to certain Heads of Departments, the power to sanction charge allowances to non-Gazetted Officers under the Mysore Service Regulations.

ORDER NO. FL. 4382-442—G. F. 209-25-1, DATED 5TH FEBRUARY 1926.

Government consider that the condition imposed in the first of the orders read above, limiting the power of Heads of Departments to grant privilege leave up to one month to the Gazetted Officers under them only in cases in which no substitutes are required, is inconvenient in practice and requires to be relaxed. They accordingly direct that the Heads of Departments who are now authorised to sanction privilege leave up to one month to Gazetted Officers working under them, be empowered also to make in-charge arrangements in such vacancies and sanction the charge allowances admissible under Article 91, Mysore Service Regulations. As a general rule, in-charge arrangements need not be made in very short absences, not exceeding seven days. Where such arrangements are however necessary, they may be made but no in-charge allowance should be paid in such cases.

M. N. KRISHNA RAO,
*Financial Secretary to Government.*

## PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

### Meter Hire.

READ—

G. O. No. E. D. S. 2149-54, dated the 12th December 1925, directing that, in future, no meter hire be charged for installations up to and including 6 points.

2. Letter No. 12019, dated the 26th December 1925, from the Chief Electrical Engineer.

ORDER NO. E. D. S. 2817-22, DATED 3RD FEBRUARY 1926.

Government are pleased to direct that the Government Order of 12th December 1925, read above, be brought into effect from the bills for January 1926, to be presented to the consumers in February 1926.

K. R. SESHACHAR,
*Secretary to Government,*
*Electrical Department.*